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SUBJECT: E AND E: TRAN VAN LANG

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM EA/VN

AMBASSADOR BUNKER HAS HAD A CALL FROM MR. LAWRENCE KRUEGER OF DALLAS, TEXAS, WHO WORKED FOR JOHN VANN IN III CORPS IN 1968-69. KRUEGER TELEPHONED ON BEHALF OF A VIETNAMESE CITIZEN, TRAN VAN LANG, WHOSE ADDRESS IS 90 NGO TRUONG CHAU, SAIGON. LANG DID CLANDESTINE WORK FOR CORDS UNDER JOHN VANN, TRAINING VIETNAMESE STUDENTS IN TAI QUAN DO. HE TRAINED SOME 15,000 STUDENTS IN VILLAGES THROUGHOUT III CORPS. KRUEGER FEELS THAT LANG WOULD BE IN VERY GREAT DANGER OF BEING LIQUIDATED BY THE COMMUNISTS. KRUEGER INFORMS US THAT HE WILL VOUCH FOR MR. LANG'S SUPPORT IF HE CAN BE BROUGHT TO THE UNITED STATES. KRUEGER IS GREATLY CONCERNED ABOUT MR. LANG'S SAFETY AND HOPES THAT THE EMBASSY MAY BE ABLE TO ARRANGE FOR HIS DEPARTURE FROM VIETNAM. KISSINGER

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